1	2	3
I.	Science	957.2
II.	Engineering	210.2
III.	Medicine	46.2
IV.	Veterinary	6.7
V.	Agriculture	35.0
VI.	Law	20.6
	GRAND TOTAL 1+2+3	29667.9

Recruitment of ex-service personnel by private security agencies

447. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that hundreds of ex-servicemen including retired Defence Officials were recruited by Private Security agencies for deployment in Iraq and a few casualities among them have taken place;

(b) if so, the number of such ex-servicemen sent to Iraq and how many of them were actually killed there; and

(c) Government's reaction in regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI SISH RAM OLA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No such data is maintained.

(c) Several measures have been taken which include, *inter-alia*, serving of show-cause notices to registered recruiting agents who reportedly violated Government instructions regarding recruitment for deployment in Iraq, FIRs have been filed against those private agencies who are not registered recruiting agents and foreign companies indulging in diversion of Indian workers from Kuwait and Jordan to Iraq have been blacklisted.

Recruitment of ex-servicemen for Iraq by private agencies

448. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that hundreds of Indian ex-servicemen are being recruited by private agencies for posting in Iraq;

(b) if so, the number of persons, so far, been sent to Iraq by private agencies;

(c) whether there is ban on sending ex-servicemen for jobs like guarding key installations in Iraq;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor in view of growing danger to foreigners in Iraq; and

(e) the measures taken to ensure that these private agencies stop immediately their activities of sending ex-servicemen to Iraq for jobs?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI SIS RAM OLA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per information collected from various sources including our Mission in Kuwait, presently there are approximately 5042 Indians working in Iraq.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d). Does not arise.

(e) Several measures have been taken which include, *inter-alia*, serving of show-cause notices to registered recruiting agents who reportedly violated Govt. instructions regarding recruitment for deployment in Iraq, FIRs have been filed against those private agencies who are not registered recruiting agents and foreign companies indulging in diversion of Indian workers from Kuwait and Jordan to Iraq have been blacklisted.

Educated unemployed youths

†449. SHRI ISAM SINGH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of educated unemployed youths in the country other than educated unemployed youths who have registered themselves with employment exchanges;

(b) the action Government propose to take to provide employment to educated unemployed youths; and

(c) Government's action plan in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI SIS RAM OLA): (a) As per the last quinquennial employment and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.